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BLACKBURN: SEXISM AND ELITISM CHARGES IN MIERS NOMINATION PROCESS INAPPROPRIATE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Representative Marsha Blackburn (R-7th) issued the following statement today regarding the nomination of Harriet Miers to the U.S. Supreme Court.

"Harriet Miers' nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court has raised legitimate concerns regarding her qualifications within the conservative community. It's perfectly acceptable for the American people and their elected representatives to debate the merits of each nomination. The suggestion that criticism of Ms. Miers' nomination is motivated by sexism or elitism is absurd and insulting. I've read several well reasoned, articulate columns debating this nominee's record and I've spoken with conservatives across my district who deserve to have their concerns taken seriously and not dismissed as elitist or sexist. I hope these charges will cease so the U.S. Senate can get down to the real business of reviewing the nominee's qualifications for this lifetime appointment."

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